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House Resolution No. 2296

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have admirably assisted state government in providing its much-needed services and programs in the efficient, effective manner mandated by the public; and

Whereas, Steven M. Geary of Holts Summit has attained considerable distinction as the Supervisor of Consumer Credit in the Missouri Department of Economic Development's Division of Finance, a leadership position which he will draw to a close on April 30, 2005, in well-deserved retirement; and

Whereas, Steven Geary prepared for his nearly three decades of service to the citizens and institutions of Missouri by earning a Bachelor of Science in Education magna cum laude degree in 1969 and a Master of Arts degree with honored distinction in history in 1970 from Southeast Missouri State University and a Juris Doctorate in 1976 from Washington University with additional studies in accounting at Lincoln University from 1981 to 1983; and

Whereas, Steven Geary brought to his work as Supervisor of Consumer Credit a wealth of knowledge and expertise garnered from earlier work as Assistant to the Commissioner for Consumer Protection; and

Whereas, an expert in consumer advocacy and industry compliance, Steven Geary is the author of such articles as "Finance Law" in <u>Consumer Law and Practice</u> and "Missouri Exemptions", "Missouri Finance Law: An Update", and "Missouri's Omnibus Consumer Credit Act" in the <u>Journal of the Missouri Bar</u>; and

Whereas, Steven Geary served as a member of the Federal Reserve Board Consumer Advisory Council from 1984 to 1986, the president of the National Association of Consumer Credit Administrators from 1996 to 1997, and a member of its Executive Committee from 1990 to 1998; and

Whereas, no stranger to honors and accolades, Steven Geary received the National Association of Consumer Credit Administrators' Distinguished Service Award in 2000:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive career of Steven Geary with the Missouri Department of Economic Development and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Steven M. Geary of Holts Summit, Missouri.

Offered by	
	Representative Michael L. Cunningham
	District No. 145
	Representative Danie Moore
	District No. 20

Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2296, adopted April 19, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker